

Please replace Page 3, line 18 with the following amended sentence:

FIGURE 6 is a side plane view of the packaging system shown in FIGURE 4;

Please replace Page 3, lines 19 and 20 with the following amended sentence:

FIGURE 7 is a partial section, side plane view of the packaging system, illustrating the interference fit of a disposable cleaning head, according to the invention; and

Please replace Page 3, lines 21 and 22 with the following amended sentence:

FIGURE 8 is a perspective view of the packaging system shown in FIGURE 4, in a closed position, according to the invention.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at Page 7, line 17 with the following amended paragraph:

Referring now to Figs. 4 – 8, the packaging system of the invention will now be described in detail. Referring first to Fig. 4, there is shown one embodiment of the packaging system 40. As illustrated in Fig. 4, the packaging system 40 comprises a shell 41 having a bottom 42 and top 44 that is preferably hingedly connected (designated generally 43 in Fig. 6) to the bottom 42.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at Page 7, line 24 with the following amended paragraph:

In a preferred embodiment, the bottom 42 includes a first cavity 46 and the top 44 includes a second cavity 48. The cavities 46, 48 preferably have substantially similar planar dimensions (i.e., length, width) and configurations (see Fig. 5).

Please replace the paragraph beginning at Page 8, line 4 with the following amended paragraph:

According to the invention, the cavities 46, 48 can comprise various configurations and dimensions to receive various configurations, sizes and quantities of cleaning heads 20 (e.g., 2, 8, 12, etc.). In one embodiment of the invention, each cavity 46, 48 has a length (designated “L”) in the range of approximately 7.5 – 8.0 in., a width proximate the opening (designated “W”) in the range of approximately 2.5 – 3.0 in. and a minimum depth (designated “D”) in the range of approximately 1.25 – 1.35 in. (see Figs. 5 and 7) to facilitate receipt

of three (3) cleaning heads 20 having a maximum planar dimension or, in this instance, a nominal diameter in the range of 2.75 – 3.25 in.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at Page 8, line 12 with the following amended paragraph:

Referring now to Fig. 5, the cavities 46, 48 are preferably disposed in the bottom 42 and top 44 of the shell 41 in an offset orientation to facilitate closure of the shell 41 with cleaning heads 20 disposed therein. As will be appreciated by one having ordinary skill in the art, the amount of the offset (designated "O") will depend on the dimensions of the cleaning head(s) and, hence, each cavity 46, 48. Preferably, the offset ("O") is in the range of approximately 25 – 45% of the maximum planar dimension (e.g., nominal diameter) of the cleaning head(s) 20.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at Page 8, line 19 with the following amended paragraph:

Referring now to Figs. 4, 5 and 7, each cavity 46, 48 includes a plurality of interference tabs 50 that are positioned and configured to engage and secure the cleaning heads 20 in the cavities. As illustrated in Fig. 5, the tabs 50 are preferably disposed as opposing pairs to engage a respective cleaning head 20 proximate its horizontal axis (designated "A" in Fig. 5). Thus, in the embodiment shown in Figs. 4 and 5 and described above, each cavity 46, 48 includes three (3) pairs of tabs 50 (or six (6) total tabs 50).

Please replace the paragraph beginning at Page 8, line 30 with the following amended paragraph:

In a preferred embodiment of the invention, the face of each tab 50 (designated generally "51") has a textured surface to enhance the engagement and retention of the cleaning head 20 positioned therebetween. As will be appreciated by one having ordinary skill in the art, various conventional molding and post molding processes can be employed to provide a textured surface to the tab faces 51. In one embodiment of the invention, the textured surface is achieved via a sand or other medium blasting operation.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at Page 9, line 4 with the following amended paragraph:

As illustrated in Figs. 4 and 5, the top 44 includes a seat portion 52, having a peripheral wall 54 that is configured and dimensioned to receive the top, planar portion 56 of the bottom 42 when the shell 41 is in a closed configuration (see